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Page 1: Local Health Department/District Information

Q1

Department Name

Quinnipiack Valley Health District

Q2

Yes

Do you have a Board of Health?

Page 2: Board of Health

Q3

Complete the Board of Health information below. Please provide direct contact information for the Chairperson.

Chairperson	Joy W. Donaldson
Address	c/o Quinnipiack Valley Health District
City/Town	North Haven
State/Province	CT
ZIP/Postal Code	06473
Email Address	jelysed@yahoo.com
Phone Number	203-248-4528

Q4

Advisory & Policy Making

Board Function

Q5

Number of Board Members

13

Page 3: Director of Health and Local Health Department Information

Q6

Director of Health

Name	Karen Ann Wolujewicz
Degree(s)	MPH
Number of hours in Director of Health's average work week	35+

Q7

Please list salary figures as whole dollars per year.

Minimum Annual Salary	100000
Maximum Annual Salary	115000

Q8

An Acting Director of Health is defined as an approved individual covering for a Director of Health when he or she is absent, for example, due to a vacation, medical leave, conference, or position vacancy. See Connecticut General Statute Section 19a-200 or 19a-244. Do you have a staff person(s) who is the Acting Director of Health in your absence?

Yes,
If yes, please provide the name(s) of the Acting Director of Health.:
Alicia Mulvihill

Q9

If no, how do you assure coverage when the Director of Health is absent?

Respondent skipped this question**Q10**

Does your department include a Housing Department?

No**Q11**

Does your department include a Social Services Department?

No**Q12**

Does your department include additional non-public health programs?

No**Q13**

Are there any collective bargaining units in your department?

Yes,
If yes, how many?:
1

Q14

Which of the following best describes your department with respect to participation in the Public Health Accreditation Board's national accreditation program?

My department plans to apply for accreditation, but has not yet registered on e-PHAB

Q15

In what calendar year does your department anticipate registering in e-PHAB in order to pursue accreditation?

Have not decided on a target year

Page 4: Local Health Personnel

Q16

Administrative

	Full Time	Part Time	Contracted	Min. Salary-Hourly	Max. Salary-Hourly
Assistant or Deputy Director of Health	1				\$41
Environmental Health Supervisor	1				\$42
Nursing Supervisor	0				
Office Manager	0				
Bookkeeper			1	\$60	\$100
Secretary	2				\$23

Q17

Medical

	Full Time	Part Time	Contracted	Min. Salary-Hourly	Max. Salary-Hourly
Dental Professional					
Dietitian / Nutritionist					
Lab Technician					
Nurse* (RN, APRN)*Does not include School Nurse		1			\$40
Physician / Medical Advisor			1		\$150
School Nurse					
Social Worker					

Q18

Public Health

	Full Time	Part Time	Contracted	Min. Salary-Hourly	Max. Salary-Hourly
Emergency Preparedness Coordinator		1			\$25
Environmental Health Inspector (e.g., food, lead, housing)	4				\$38
Epidemiologist					
Health Educator					
Outreach Worker					
Other Paid Worker (Please describe below)	3	1	1		

Other Paid Worker, please describe:

Contracted Health Program Assistant PHAB Advisor; F/T Public Health Program Assistant; F/T Contact Tracer; 1 P/T Contact Tracer; 1 F/T Public Health Navigator

Q19

How many of your staff have the following licenses and/or certifications?

	#
Dental Hygienist (RHD)	
Dentist (DMD/DDS)	
Food Inspector	6
Health Educator (CHES)	
Lead Assessor	5
Lead Inspector	5
Nurse (RN/APRN)	1
Pharmacist (RPh)	
Phase I SSDS	6
Phase II SSDS	5
Physician (MD/DO)	
Registered Dietitian (RD)	
Registered Sanitarian (RS)	5
Social Worker (LSW)	
Veterinarian (DVM/VMD)	
Other (Please describe below)	

Page 5: Public Health Department Revenue

Q20	Amount \$	975455
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DPH funds - all regardless of source

Q21	Amount \$	0
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State funds - other than DPH

Q22	Amount \$	0
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Federal sources - direct

Q23	Amount \$	243266
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Licensure/Permit fees

Q24	Amount \$	633056
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Local funds - city/town sources

Q25	Amount \$	0
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Medicaid

Q26	Amount \$	0
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Medicare

Q27	Amount \$	18625
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Other revenue

Q28	Amount \$	0
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Patient personal fees

Q29	Amount \$	0
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Private foundations

Q30	Amount \$	0
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Private health insurance

Q31

What is your total operating budget?

1605597

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Q32	Yes
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Requirement 1: My department has participated in or conducted a local community health assessment (CHA) within the last five years.

Q33

If yes, does the CHA include? (Select all that apply)

Data and information from various sources and how the data were obtained

,

Demographics of the population,

Description of health issues and specific descriptions of population groups with particular health inequities

,

Description of factors that contribute to specific populations' health challenges

,

Description of existing community assets or resources to address health issues

Q34

If yes, please upload the CHA or provide web link.

1.1.2 CHA - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (793.7KB)

Q35

Web link/URL

Respondent skipped this question

Q36

Requirement 2: My department shared the findings from the community health assessment with the residents in my jurisdiction and asked for their input.

Yes

Q37

If yes, what methods did you use to seek input from residents? (Select all that apply)

Publication of a summary of the findings in the local press with feedback or comment forms

,

Community/town forums,

Presentations and discussions at local meetings

Q38

Requirement 3: My department routinely gathers information, collects data and/or conducts community dialogues specific to populations or geographic areas in the community where health inequities and poorer health indicators were identified in the community health assessment.

Yes

Q39

If yes, how is the data provided? (Select all that apply)

Participating in other local organizations' community meetings (e.g., church community meetings, school public meetings, community association meetings or assemblies, etc.)

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Q40

Yes

Requirement 1: My department shared the results of the community health assessment with the partners/stakeholders and the public.

Q41

If yes, how did your department share the results of the CHA? (Select all that apply)

Emails to partners and stakeholders,
Articles in newspapers ,
Social media,
Website,
Other, please describe:
Community conversation

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Q42

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has written processes and/or protocols used to collect surveillance data from multiple sources and to review and analyze the data.

Q43

If yes, how are the data collected? (Select all that apply)

Fax,
Web reports,
Electronic data,
Phone calls,
Other (please describe):
Reports

Q44

Yes

Requirement 2: My department has written processes and/or protocols that (1) specify which surveillance data are confidential and (2) assure the confidential data are maintained and handled in a secure confidential manner.

Q45

If yes, please upload the protocol.

1.2.1 Data Confidentiality - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (181.7KB)

Q46

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the protocol in development?

Q47

Yes

Requirement 3: My department has a 24/7 contact system or protocol to collect data from those who report data to my department.

Q48

If yes, how does your department collect the data 24/7?
(Select all that apply)

A designated telephone line (voice or fax),
Email address,
Designated contact person or a list of contacts

Q49

Yes

Requirement 4: My department regularly uses the state DPH surveillance systems.

Q50

If yes, which surveillance systems do your department use? (Select all that apply)

CTSITE (childhood lead),
CTEDSS (reportable diseases),
CTWiz (immunizations),
Syndromic Surveillance (opioids),
Other (please describe):
ContaCT

Q51

How many staff have been trained to use any of the state surveillance systems?

8

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Q52

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has been involved in the collection of primary quantitative data in addition to surveillance data.

<p>Q53</p> <p>If yes, how has your department collected primary quantitative data? (Select all that apply)</p>	<p>Surveys of target groups,</p> <p>Inspection data,</p> <p>Data collected for community health assessment</p>
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<p>Q54</p> <p>Requirement 2: My department has been involved in the collection of primary qualitative data.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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<p>Q55</p> <p>If yes, how your department has been involved in the collection of primary qualitative data? (Select all that apply)</p>	<p>Open ended survey questions,</p> <p>Forums,</p> <p>Focus groups,</p> <p>Key informant interviews</p>
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<p>Q56</p> <p>Requirement 3: My department uses standardized data collection instruments to collect quantitative or qualitative data.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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<p>Q57</p> <p>Requirement 1: My department analyses various types of data and draws conclusions.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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<p>Q58</p> <p>If yes, do the analyses of the data include the following? (Select all that apply)</p>	<p>Defined timelines,</p> <p>Description of the analytic process used to analyze the data</p> <p>,</p> <p>Time/trend analysis</p>
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<p>Q59</p> <p>Requirement 2: My department shares data and data analyses.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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Q60

If yes, with whom does your department share the data and data analyses? (Select all that apply)

Internal staff,
Public Health Partners,
Elected officials,
Department of Public Health or other state entities,
Board of Health,
Residents

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Q61**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has used data to develop policies, processes, programs or interventions or to revise or expand existing policies, processes, programs or interventions.

Q62

If yes, how has the department used data? (Select all that apply)

Local ordinances,
Licensing/Permitting Program,
Health Promotion Programs

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Q63**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department provides summaries or fact sheets of community health data.

Q64

If yes, who are the summaries/fact sheets shared with? (Select all that apply)

Residents,
Public health partners,
Community groups,
Key stakeholders,
Elected officials,
Board of Health

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Q65**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has a written protocol that includes a procedure for conducting investigations of suspected or identified health problems and environmental and occupational public health hazards.

Q66

If yes, for which of the following entities does the protocol delineate the assignment of responsibilities? (Select all that apply)

Internal staff,**Contractors/consultants,****DPH (Food, Asbestos, SSDS),****Other state agencies (DEEP, DCP),**

Other, please describe:

EPA, Consumer Protection, Town Park and Rec

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Q67**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department conducts reviews or programmatic evaluations (e.g., After Action Report) of investigations to ensure capacity to respond to outbreaks of infectious disease.

Q68**Yes**

Requirement 2: My department has a written report or other documentation of a completed investigation of a non-infectious health problem or hazard.

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Q69**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has a tracking log or audit on investigations that includes reporting lab test results and investigation results.

Q70

If yes, how does your department track investigations? (Select all that apply)

Tracking log,**Audit,****State surveillance systems (CTEDSS, CTSITE, CTEPHT– also known as MAVEN)**

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Q71

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has written protocols for the containment/mitigation of health problems and hazards.

Q72

If yes, does the protocol(s) include? (Select all that apply)

Mitigation,

Contact management,

Clinical management,

Use of prophylaxis and emergency biologics,

Communication with the public health laboratory,

Process for exercising legal authority for disease control

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Q73

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has an infectious disease outbreak protocols that describe the process for determining when the EOP will be implemented.

Q74

If yes, please upload the protocol.

2.2.2 EOP Implementation - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (513.8KB)

Q75

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the protocol in development?

Q76

Yes

Requirement 2: My department has protocols that specifically address environmental public health hazards and that describe the process of determining when the EOP will be implemented.

Q77

If yes, please upload one protocol.

2.2.2 EOP Protocols - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (377.8KB)

Q78

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the protocol in development?

Q79

Yes

Requirement 3: My department has cluster evaluation protocols describing the process for determining when the EOP will be implemented.

Q80

If yes, please upload the protocol.

2.2.2 EOP Evaluation - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (574KB)**Q81**

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the protocol in development?

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Q82

No

Requirement 1: My department has a written description of how it determines if an event has risen to the level of significance requiring an AAR.

Q83

Yes

If no, is the documentation in development?

Q84

How many drills and exercises did your department conduct or participate in the last fiscal year?

0

Q85

How many real world public health events did your department respond to in the last fiscal year?

1

Q86

How many were significant that required the development of an AAR?

1

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Q87 **Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has policies and procedures outlining how the department maintains 24/7 access to support services in emergencies.

Q88 **Respondent skipped this question**

If no, are the policies and procedures in development?

Q89 **Yes**

Requirement 2: My department has a call down list that is used to contact epidemiological and environmental local public health resources.

Q90

If yes,

When was the call down list last tested?

06/28/2021

What was the response time?

24 hours

Q91 **Yes**

Requirement 3: My department has a written policy or procedure to assure 24/7 access to laboratory services.

Q92

If yes, please upload the protocol.

2.3.2 Access to Lab Services.pdf (663.1KB)

Q93 **Respondent skipped this question**

If no, is the policy/procedure in development?

Q94 **Yes**

Requirement 4: My department has protocols for handling and submitting of specimens.

Q95

If yes, please upload the protocol.

2.3.2 Lab Specimen - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (927.7KB)**Q96**

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the policy/procedure in development?

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Q97

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has a protocol, procedure or policy that identifies support personnel (within or outside the department) who will be called on to provide surge capacity.

Q98

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the protocol/procedure/policy in development?

Q99

Yes

Requirement 2: My department has staffing lists for surge capacity which includes both the staffing needed for a surge response and how staff will fill those needs.

Q100

If yes, how are staff notified if they are needed for surge capacity? (Select all that apply)

Email,
Call down,
Text

Q101

Yes

Requirement 3: My department has a document detailing the availability of equipment (transportation, field communications, personal protective equipment (PPE), etc.) to support a surge.

Q102

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the document in development?

Q103 **No**

Requirement 4: My department has a schedule for training or exercises to prepare personnel who will serve in surge capacity (e.g., ICS or PPE).

Q104 **No**

If no, is the schedule in development?

Q105 **Yes**

Requirement 5: My department has a list and description of contracts, MOAs/MOUs, and/or mutual assistance agreements providing additional staff and services, including laboratory services, for surge capacity.

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Q106 **Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has a communication protocol to contact staff, health care providers, response partners, the media and others, 24/7.

Q107

If yes, please upload the protocol.

2.4.1 Communication Protocol - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (687KB)

Q108 **Respondent skipped this question**

If no, is the protocol in development?

Q109 **Yes**

Requirement 2: My department provides information to partners and the public about how to contact the health department to report a public health emergency, risk, problem, or environmental or occupational public health hazard.

Q110

If yes, how does your department inform partners and the public? (Select all that apply)

Web page,
Press release/media,
Social media,
Fax broadcasts,
Email listservs

Q111

Requirement 3: My department's partners and the public can contact the health department 24/7.

Yes

Q112

If yes, how does the public and partners contact your department 24/7? (Select all that apply)

Police dispatch,
Web site,
24/7 phone number,
Email,
Staff call down list

Q113

Requirement 4: My department has established or participates in a Health Alert Network (HAN) or similar system that receives and issues alerts 24/7.

No

Q114

If yes, how often does your department test the system?

Respondent skipped this question

Q115

Requirement 5: My department provides information to the public and uses the media to communicate information to the public during a public health emergency.

Yes

Q116

If yes, how does your department provide information and use the media to communicate information to the public? (Select all that apply)

Web page,
Social media,
Distribution of printed materials (brochures, flyers, factsheets),
,
Fax broadcasts,
Email listservs,
Press release,
Public service announcement

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Q117 Yes

Requirement 1: My department has provided information to the public on health risks, health behaviors, disease prevention, or wellness.

Q118 Public presentation,
Brochure,
Social media,
Public service announcement,
Other, please describe:
Printed materials, website

If yes, how has your department provided information to the public? (Select all that apply)

Q119 Yes

Requirement 2: My department has developed and implemented or sustained population based health promotion strategies.

Q120 Immunizations,
Media campaigns,
Radon test kits

If yes, what types of health promotion strategies were developed and implemented or sustained? (Select all that apply)

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Q121 Yes

Requirement 1: My department has assessed health inequity across the jurisdiction within the last five years.

Q122 The use of health equity indicators

If yes, does the assessment include? (Select all that apply)

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Q123 No

Requirement 1: My department has a policy, plan or strategy for branding.

Q124

Respondent skipped this question

If yes, does the branding policy, plan or strategy? (Select all that apply)

Q125

No

If no, is the policy, plan or strategy in development?

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Q126

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has external communication procedures or protocols.

Q127

If yes, does the external communication procedures or protocols include? (Select all that apply)

The process for dissemination of accurate, timely, and appropriate information for different audiences

,

A contact list of media and key stakeholders,

The responsibilities and expectations for positions interacting with the news media

,

A designated staff position as the public information officer – please provide the staff person's name below.:

Alicia Mulvihill

Q128

If yes, please upload the procedure or protocol.

3.2.3 External Communications Protocol - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (451.7KB)

Q129

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the protocol in development?

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Q130

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has a risk communication plan, protocol or procedure.

Q131

If yes, does the risk communication plan, protocol or procedures? (Select all that apply)

Address how information is provided 24/7,

Delineate roles, responsibilities and chain of command,

Address how message clearance will be expedited,

Describe on the health department will work with media

,

Address preventing public alarm by addressing with misconceptions or misinformation

Q132

If yes, please upload the plan, protocol or procedure.

RISK Communication Plan.pdf (270.5KB)

Q133

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the plan, protocol or procedure in development?

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Q134

Yes

Requirement 1: My department maintains a website or web page to inform the public about public health issues.

Q135

If yes, my department's website or web page has the following information: (Select all that apply)

Health data,

Links to public health-related news,

Information and materials from program activities,

Links to CDC and other public health-related federal, state, or local agencies, as appropriate

,

The names of the Director of Health and leadership team

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Q136

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has demographic data defining ethnic distribution and languages in the jurisdiction.

Q137**Yes**

Requirement 2: My department has access to staff or contractors who provide interpretation, translation or specific communication services.

Q138

If yes, how does your department provide interpretation, translation or specific communication services? (Select all that apply)

Language telephone services,**Translation services/contractors,****Language cards,**

Other (please describe):

Available translated materials from other reliable sources
(DPH, Schools)

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Q139**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has been an active member of a community partnership(s) or coalition(s) to improve the health of the community.

Q140

If yes, what sectors of the community do the members of the partnership(s) or coalitions(s) represent? (Select all that apply)

School systems,**Hospitals/Community Health Centers,****Social service organizations,****Local government agencies,****Not-for-profit organizations,****Community members,****Youth organizations,**

Other, please describe:

New Haven Area Partnership

Q141

If yes, which health issue(s) are being addressed in the community partnership(s) or coalition(s)? (Select all that apply)

Chronic disease prevention,**Substance abuse,**

Other, please describe:

School-based Health Centers (SBHCs)

Q142**Yes**

Requirement 2: My department has made a change in a policy or created or revised a program that was implemented through the work of the partnership(s) or coalitions(s).

Q143

If yes, what policy change or revision was implemented?
(Select all that apply)

Other, please describe:

Access to Birth Control at SBHCs

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Q144**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department engages with the community as a whole or with specific populations that will be affected by a policy or strategy.

Q145

If yes, which sectors of the community has your department engaged? (Select all that apply)

Senior Citizens,**School-age groups,**

Service providers, i.e., tattoo artists, salon owners, nail technicians, massage therapists, food establishment owners and workers

,

Advisory groups**Q146****Yes**

Requirement 2: My department communicates and collaborates with the governing entity, advisory board and/or elected officials concerning public health policy or strategy at least quarterly.

Q147

If yes, how does your department communicate and collaborate? (Select all that apply)

Meetings,**Reports,****Emails**

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Q148**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department monitors and tracks the public issues being discussed by my department's governing entity, elected officials, individuals and/or other entities that set policies and practices that impact the health department or public health.

Q149

If yes, how is your department monitoring and tracking issues? (Select all that apply)

Meeting agendas and minutes,

List-serves,

Professional organizations (CADH, CEHA)

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Q150

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has contributed to the formal discussions concerning public policy and practice and its impact on public health.

Q151

Talking points,

If yes, how has your department contributed to the discussions? (Select all that apply)

Participation in an advisory or work group

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Q152

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has informed policy makers and/or the public about potential health impacts of policies that are being considered or in place.

Q153

If yes, how has your department informed policy makers and/or the public? (Select all that apply)

Distribution of emails, briefing statements or reports on policy impacts

,

Meetings/discussions of policy issues and impacts,

Presentation of evaluation or assessments of current and/or proposed policies

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Q154

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has a community health improvement plan (CHIP) dated within the last five years.

Q155	Community health priorities,
If yes, does the CHIP include the following? (Select all that apply)	Measurable objectives,
	Improvement strategies,
	Activities with time-framed targets,
	Consideration of national or state health improvements priorities

Q156

If yes, please attach the CHIP or provide the web link.

5.2.2 CHIP - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (793.7KB)

Q157

Respondent skipped this question

Web link/URL

Q158

Respondent skipped this question

If no, where is your department in the process? (Select one)

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Q159

No

Requirement 1: My department has a tracking process to document actions taken toward the implementation of the CHIP.

Q160

No

Requirement 2: My department and/or my partners have implemented some areas of the CHIP.

Q161

Respondent skipped this question

If yes, what area has been implemented and by whom? (Provide one example)

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Q162

No

Requirement 1: My department has a strategic plan dated within the last five years.

Q163

Respondent skipped this question

If yes, does the plan include? (Select all that apply)

Q164

My department has not begun a strategic plan

If no, where is your department in the process? (Select one)

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Q165

Respondent skipped this question

Requirement 1: Since the strategic plan's adoption, my department has reviewed the plan and has monitored and assessed progress towards reaching the goals and objectives.

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Q166

Yes

Requirement 1: My department participates in preparedness meetings with other government agencies, local health departments and health care providers.

Q167

Yes

Requirement 2: My department has conducted drills or exercises or responded to real events that tested components of the All Hazards EOP within the last five years.

Q168

No

If yes, did your department develop an AAR after the emergency or drill/exercise?

Q169

No

Requirement 3: As a result of an exercise, drill or real event, my department has revised the All Hazards EOP.

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Q170

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has a public health emergency response plan that is dated within the last five years.

Q171

If yes, does your department's public health EOP include?
(Select all that apply)

The health department staff responsible for coordinating a response

,

The roles and responsibilities of the health department and its partners

,

A health department communication network that addresses communication with other members of emergency networks or organizations that are also responders; or an emergency communication plan.

,

How the health department will manage continuity of operations during an emergency

Q172

Yes

Requirement 2: Within the last five years, my department has tested the public health EOP through drills and exercises.

Q173

No

If yes, did your department complete an AAR the drills or exercises?

Q174

No

Requirement 3: My department has revised the public health EOP based on AARs.

Page 41: 10 ES - #6 Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety

Q175

Yes

Requirement 1: My department reviews regulations, statutes, and ordinances for their public health implications.

<p>Q176</p> <p>If yes, when reviewing laws, does your department? (Select all that apply)</p>	<p>Consider evidence-based practices, promising practices</p> <p>,</p> <p>Use model public health laws, checklists, templates or some other standard outline or guide</p> <p>,</p> <p>Collaborate with other municipal departments, Tribes, state health department</p>
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<p>Q177</p> <p>Requirement 2: My department has access to legal counsel as needed.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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<p>Q178</p> <p>Requirement 1: My department provides advice and recommendations to the governing entity and/or elected officials on the public health impact of new laws and changes to current laws.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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<p>Q179</p> <p>If yes, how does your department provide advice and recommendations? (Select all that apply)</p>	<p>Issue briefs,</p> <p>Talking points,</p> <p>Fact sheets,</p> <p>Presentations,</p> <p>Meetings</p>
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<p>Q180</p> <p>Requirement 1: My department's staff have been trained in laws related to their job responsibilities within the past two years.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
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Q181

If yes, on which laws have staff received training? (Select all that apply)

Food,
Lead,
Infectious disease (e.g., TB, STD, immunizations),
Subsurface sewage disposal systems,
Housing, hoarding, blight,
Opioid/naloxone,
Legal orders,
Disaster response/emergency preparedness,
Vector control,
Surveillance/outbreak investigations

Q182

Requirement 2: My department ensures consistent application of public health laws.

Yes

Q183

If yes, how does your department ensure the consistent application of public health laws? (Select all that apply)

Internal audits,
Enforcement documents or logs,
Written review of case reports,
Communications with other agencies,
Other (please describe):
written policies and procedures

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Q184

Requirement 1: My department has information concerning public health related laws available to the public.

Yes

Q185

If yes, how is your department providing information concerning public health related laws? (Select all that apply)

Website,
Flyers/Brochures,
Email or fax,
Regular mail,
Phone conversations

Q186

Yes

Requirement 2: My department has information about permit/license applications available to the public.

Q187

If yes, how is your department providing information about permit/license applications? (Select all that apply)

Website,
Flyers/Brochures,
Email or fax,
Regular mail,
Phone conversations

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Q188

Yes

Requirement 1: My department provides information or education to regulated individuals or entities about their responsibilities related to public health laws.

Q189

If yes, how is your department providing information or education to regulated individuals or entities? (Select all that apply)

Website,
Flyers/Brochures,
Email or fax,
Regular mail,
Phone conversations,
Other (please describe):
provide application packets, offer office hours for consultations

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Q190

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has local ordinances/regulations for conducting enforcement actions.

Q191

If yes, what types of ordinances/regulations? (Select all that apply)

Housing,
Food,
Hair Salon,
Nail Salon,
Tattoo Parlor,
Public Pool,
Massage Parlor,
Private wells,
Septic systems,
Other (please describe):
hotel/motel

Q192

Please provide a link to where these ordinances can be found:

<https://qvhd.org/inspections-and-licensing>

Q193

Yes

Requirement 2: My department has a written procedure or protocol (e.g. decision tree) for enforcement program areas.

Q194

If yes, please upload the protocol.

6.3.1 Enforcement Protocol - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (335.1KB)

Q195

Respondent skipped this question

If no, is the protocol in development?

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Q196

Yes

Requirement 1: My department maintains a database or log of inspection reports with action taken, current status, follow-up, return inspections, and final results/closure.

Q197

If yes, what is/are the database(s) or log(s)? (Select all that apply)

Infectious disease (CTEDSS - MAVEN),
Access database,
Spreadsheet,
Childhood Lead (CTSIT - MAVEN)

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Q198**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has a database or log of actions related to investigations and complaints.

Q199

If yes, does the database or log document? (Select all that apply)

Hearings,
Notice of violations,
Legal orders

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Q200**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department analyzes the information in the database or log of investigations and complaints.

Q201

If yes, does your department analyze the data for? (Select all that apply)

Statutory requirements,
Patterns and trends,
Development of a summary annual report

Q202**No**

Requirement 2: My department conducts debriefings or other methods to evaluate what worked well, to identify problems and recommends changes in the investigation/response procedure to the enforcement protocols or procedures.

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Q203**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has a protocol for notifying other agencies and the public of enforcement activities.

Q204

If yes, how does your department notify other agencies and the public of enforcement activities? (Select all that apply)

Minutes from public meetings,

Other (please describe):
copies of Notice of Violation to municipal partners

Q205

If no, is the protocol in development?

Respondent skipped this question

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Q206

Requirement 1: My department participates in a collaborative process to assess the availability of health care services to the population.

Yes

Q207

If yes, with whom does your department collaborate to assess the availability of health care services? (Select all that apply)

Social service organizations,

Community based organizations,

Mental/behavior health organizations,

Local Coalitions,

Specific populations who may lack health care and/ or experience barriers to service (e.g., disabled, non-English speaking)

Q208

If yes, do you maintain documentation (agendas, minutes, rosters) of the collaborative process/meetings?

Yes

Q209

Requirement 2: My department shares public health data for assessment and planning purposes.

Yes

Q210

If yes, how does your department share the data? (Select all that apply)

Reports,

Emails,

Data sharing agreements

Q211

Requirement 3: My department assesses emerging issues that may impact access to care.

Yes

Q212

If yes, please provide an example of an emerging issue.

COVID-19 access to vaccination and testing sites

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Q213

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has a process for identifying populations who lack access to health care.

Q214

If yes, how are the populations identified? (Select all that apply)

Analysis of secondary or health care data,
Coalitions,
Community groups,
Public Health Partners

Q215

Yes

Requirement 2: My department has a report or has developed a report that identifies populations who experience barriers to health care services.

Q216

If yes, in the report, are the populations who experience barriers identified by the following? (Select all that apply)

Age,
Ethnicity,
Geographic location,
Health insurance status,
Educational level,
Special health needs

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Q217

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has a process used to identify gaps in health care services and barriers to health care services.

Q218

Community Health Assessment,

If yes, how are the gaps in health care services and barriers to care identified? (Select all that apply)

Analysis of hospital admissions or emergency department data

Q219**No**

Requirement 2: My department has a report or developed a report of analysis of data from various sources that identify and describe gaps in access to health care services and barriers to health care services in my jurisdiction.

Q220**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, does the report include? (Select all that apply)

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Q221**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department participates in a collaborative process for developing strategies to improve access to health care.

Q222

If yes, what strategies has the coalition developed to improve access to health care services and reduce barriers to care? (Select all that apply)

Linking individuals with needed and convenient services

,

Establishing systems of care in partnership with other members of the community

,

Addressing transportation barriers,

Addressing clinic hours

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Q223**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has collaboratively implemented strategies to improve access to health care services for those who experience barriers.

Q224

If yes, what strategies have been implemented to improve access to health care services? (Select all that apply)

Contractual arrangements with local VNA services,

Subcontracts in the community to deliver health care services in convenient and accessible locations

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Q225

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has initiatives to ensure that access and barriers are addressed in a culturally competent manner and take into account cultural, language and low literacy barriers.

Q226

If yes, what are some of the initiatives? (Select all that apply)

Use of lay health advocates indigenous to the target population

,

Culturally competent initiatives developed with members of the target population

,

Language/interpretive services,

Collaboration with other municipal departments (e.g., schools, social services)

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Q227

Yes

Requirement 1: My department actively promotes public health as a career choice.

Q228

If yes, how? (Select all that apply)

Collaboration with a school or college of public health to host interns/volunteers

,

Guest lecturing at a college,

Making presentations to students about public health and public health careers

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Q229

No

Requirement 1: My department has a workforce development plan.

Q230

Respondent skipped this question

If yes, does the workforce development plan? (Select all that apply)

Q231	No
If no, is the plan in development?	

Q232	No
Requirement 2: My department has implemented its workforce development strategies.	

Q233	Respondent skipped this question
If yes, what workforce development strategies have been implemented? (Select all that apply)	

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Q234	Yes
Requirement 1: My department ensures a competent workforce.	

Q235	Documented process for recruitment of qualified staff, Job descriptions and requirements for specific certifications, skills, training, experience and education , Protocol/process to verify staff qualifications, Documents that the qualifications have been verified for all staff hired in the past 2 years
If yes, how does your department ensure a competent workforce? (Select all that apply)	

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Q236	Yes
Requirement 1: My department documents staff's completion of their professional development activities.	

Q237	Continuing education for certifications/licenses, Training opportunities (e.g., HIPAA, emergency response, methods for the presentation of data, health equity, and communications) , Tuition reimbursement/time-off for classes
If yes, what types of professional development activities? (Select all that apply)	

Q238**No**

Requirement 2: My department provides leadership and/or management development training programs.

Q239**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, what type of leadership and/or management development training programs? (Select all that apply)

Q240**Yes**

Requirement 3: My department provides an environment in which employees are supported in their jobs.

Q241

If yes, how does your department provide a supportive environment? (Select all that apply)

Supporting staff's regulatory work, which can be met with resistance

,

Providing professional development opportunities,

Providing tuition reimbursement,

Maintaining institutional memory, the transfer of knowledge, succession planning

,

Encouraging systems thinking, change management, data use for decisions, and a culture of quality improvement

,

Providing collaborative learning opportunities (e.g., participation on boards, committees, and task forces in community, collaborative planning sessions, shared reviews of program evaluations, etc.)

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Q242**No**

Requirement 1: My department has adopted a performance management system with input from staff and leadership.

Q243**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, does the performance management system include? (Select all that apply)

Q244**No**

If no, is the department in the process of adopting a system?

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Q245**Respondent skipped this question**

Requirement 1: My department has a committee or team that is responsible for implementing the performance management system.

Q246**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, does the committee or team? (Select all that apply)

Q247**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, for which area(s) has the performance management system been implemented? (Select all that apply)

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Q248**No**

Requirement 1: My department collects, analyzes, and draws conclusions from feedback from different customer groups.

Q249**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, what groups have you surveyed? (Select all that apply)

Q250**No**

Requirement 2: My department has implemented changes/improvements based on the customer feedback.

Q251**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, what is one (1) change that your department has implemented?

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Q252**No**

Requirement 1: My department provides staff development in performance management.

Q253**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, how does your department provide staff development in performance management? (Select all that apply)

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Q254**No**

Requirement 1: My department has a written quality improvement (QI) plan that is dated within five years.

Q255**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, does the QI plan address the following? (Select all that apply)

Q256**My department has not begun a QI plan**

If no, where is your department in the process? (Select one)

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Q257**Respondent skipped this question**

Requirement 1: My department has documentation of implemented quality improvement activities based on the QI plan.

Q258**Respondent skipped this question**

If yes, did the documented QI activities include the following? (Select all that apply)

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Q259**Yes**

Requirement 1: My department has incorporated an evidence based or promising practice in a process, program or intervention.

Q260

If yes, what is/are the source(s) of the evidence-based or promising practice? (Select all that apply)

Published study or article,
State agencies/departments,
National organizations,
Community-based organizations

Q261

If yes, please upload or describe one promising practice implemented.

10.1.1 Promising Practice - Quinnipiack Valley HD.pdf (174.9KB)

Q262

Promising practice description

Data 2000 training

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Q263

Yes

Requirement 1: My department has communicated research findings and their public health implications to stakeholders, other health departments, other organizations, and/or the public.

Q264

If yes, describe the research.

opioid use disorder

Q265

If yes, with whom did your department communicate the research findings? (Select all that apply)

Governing entity,
Elected/appointed officials,
Local agencies/departments,
General public

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Q266

Yes

The Director of Health ensures that the provisions of a basic health program, as per CGS Section 19a-207a, are being provided to the community and that the information included in this report is accurate and true to the best of his/her knowledge.
